

REMARKS:

Claims 18 and 21-25 are presented for examination, with claims 1-17 and 19-20 having been cancelled. Amended claims 18 and new claims 21-25 are fully supported by the original filed specification and thus, no new matter has been added. For example, the support for the amendment to “reusable, washable, thin, flexible, breathable, liquid impervious shield” can be found at Paragraphs 8 and 13 of the printed publication..

The Examiner states that:

The prior art references, either alone or in combination, do not teach a method of let-down prevention which consists only of the claimed steps.

Thus Applicant believes that cancellation of claims 1-17 and 19-20 which were not directed to the method of let-down prevention, and submission of claim 18, which has been amended to conform to the disclosure, and new claims 21-25 now put this application in allowable form.


In view of the foregoing remarks, it is submitted that claims 18 and 21-25 now pending in the application are in condition for allowance. Applicants thus respectfully request that the instant Amendment be entered and that all pending claims be allowed and this application be entered and this application be passed to issuance.

If any outstanding issues remain, or if the Examiner has any suggestions for expediting allowance of this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number below.

The Examiner's attention to this matter is greatly appreciated

Respectfully submitted,
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